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IN THE APPLICATION OF : Stephen John Lee
FOR : IMPROVEMENTS IN OR RELATING
TO REFRACTORY PRODUCTS

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AMENDMENT

Box RCE
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated January 27, 2003 and the telephone interview held with Examiner Kastler on March 27, 2003, it is respectfully requested that the following amendments be entered into the present application, and that the following remarks be given due consideration.